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<i>Attorney Docket No.</i>	9797-0142-999	<i>Total Pages</i>	
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**APPLICATION ELEMENTS***See MPEP chapters 600 concerning utility patent application contents.*

1.  Fee Transmittal Form  
*(Submit an original, and a duplicate for fee processing)*

2.  Applicant claims Small Entity status, see 37 C.F.R. § 1.27

3.  Specification [Total Pages 17]  
*(preferred arrangement set forth below, MPEP 1503.01)*  
 - Descriptive title of the Invention  
 - Cross Reference to Related Applications  
 - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R&D  
 - Reference to Microfiche Appendix  
 - Background of the Invention  
 - Brief Summary of the Invention  
 - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)  
 - Detailed Description of the Invention (including drawings, if filed)  
 - Claim(s)  
 - Abstract of the Disclosure

4.  Drawing(s) (35 USC 113) [Total Sheets 10]

5.  Oath or Declaration [Total Sheets ]  
 a.  Newly executed (original or copy)  
 b.  Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))  
*(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)*  
 i.  DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)  
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).

6.  Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

7.  CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)

8.  Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission  
*(if applicable, all necessary)*  
 a.  Computer Readable Form (CRF)  
 b.  Specification Sequence Listing on:  
 i.  CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or  
 ii.  paper

c.  Statement verifying identity of above copies

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102703**ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS**

9.  Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))

10.  37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement  Power of Attorney by  
*(when there is an assignee)*  Assignee (copy)

11.  English Translation Document (if applicable)

12.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449  Copies of IDS Citations

13.  Preliminary Amendment

14.  Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)  
*(Should be specifically itemized)*

15.  Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)  
*(if foreign priority is claimed)*

16.  Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122 (b)(2)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent

17.  Other:

18. If a CONTINUATING APPLICATION, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information below and in a preliminary amendment, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76:

Continuation     Divisional     Continuation-in-part (CIP) | of prior application No.: 09/393,884 filed September 10, 1999.

Prior application information: Examiner: Pierre M. Vital Group Art Unit: 2188

For CONTINUATION OR DIVISIONAL APPS only: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied under Box 5b, is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference. The incorporation can only be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts.

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Prior application: Examiner Pierre M. Vital  
Art Unit 2188

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

This is a request for filing a  continuation  divisional application under 37 CFR § 1.53(b), of pending prior application no. 09/393,884 filed on September 10, 1999.

of Richard M. Barth, Ramprasad Satagopan and Anvil V. Godbole

(inventor(s) currently of record in prior application)

for System and Method for Controlling Retire Buffer Operation in a Memory System  
(title of invention)

1.  The filing fee is calculated below:

#### PATENT APPLICATION FEE VALUE

TYPE	NO. FILED	LESS	EXTRA	EXTRA RATE	FEE
Total Claims	1	- 20	0	\$18.00 each	\$ 0.00
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2.  Please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. \_\_\_\_\_. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

3a.  A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.

3b.  A new specification, substantially identical to the pending prior application and containing no new matter, is enclosed.

4a.  New formal drawings are enclosed.

4b.  Informal drawings are enclosed.

5a.  Priority of application no. filed on in is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.

5b.  The certified copy has been filed in prior application no. , filed .

6.  The prior application is assigned of record to Rambus Inc..

7a.  A copy of the Power of Attorney filed in the prior application no. , filed is enclosed.

7b.  A copy of the Power of Attorney by Assignee and Certificate Under 37 CFR 3.73(b) with revocation, filed in the prior application no. 09/393,884 filed September 10, 1999, is enclosed.

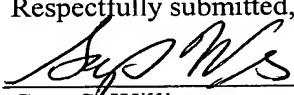
8.  This application contains nucleic acid and/or amino acid sequences required to be disclosed in a Sequence Listing under 37 CFR §§1.821-1.825. It is requested that the Sequence Listing in computer readable form from prior application no., filed on be made a part of the present application as provided for by 37 C.F.R. §1.821(e). The sequences disclosed therein are the same as the sequences disclosed in this application. A copy of the paper Sequence Listing from application no. is enclosed.

9.  The undersigned states, under 37 C.F.R. §1.821(f), that the content of the enclosed paper Sequence Listing from application no. is the same as the content of the computer readable form submitted in application no. .

10.  DO NOT PUBLISH. I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing. I hereby request that the attached application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b).

11.  Additional enclosures or instruction  
an Information Disclosure Statement and Form 1449 is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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